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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E. Suite 110 Washington, DC 20002

> Re: Ex Parte Presentation

> > Third Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, Notice of Proposed Rule Making ("Third Periodic NPRM"), FCC 07-90, MB Docket No. 07-91

Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact upon the Existing Television Service, Seventh Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making, ("7th FNPRM"), FCC 06-150, MB Docket No. 87-268

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, June 7, 2007, Andy Bater and Tom Van Wazer, on behalf of Tribune Broadcasting Company, met with the following Commission personnel: Ira Keltz, Clay Pendarvis, Nazifa Sawez, Shaun Maher, Kevin Harding, Eloise Gore, Evan Baranoff and Andrew Long.

Among other things, the parties discussed the Commission's tentative conclusion in the Third Periodic NPRM to establish February 17, 2009 as the deadline for constructing all authorized/certified post-transition DTV facilities, see Third Periodic NPRM ¶¶ 60-70. Tribune outlined an informal proposal to allow stations with side-mounted digital antennas and topmounted analog antennas to postpone the removal of their analog antennas until after the February 17, 2009 analog cut-off, provided that the existing DTV facilities provide service to the station's current analog service area. The impact of the FCC's tentative February 17, 2009 build-out deadline on several Tribune stations with side-mounted digital antennas and topmounted analog antennas was also discussed.

The parties also discussed the status of Tribune's efforts to restore DTV operations at its two stations in New Orleans, WGNO and WNOL. Hurricane Katrina destroyed the analog and digital transmission facilities of both stations. In its comments filed in response to the 7th FNPRM, Tribune indicated that it was in the process of evaluating various sites for the relocation of the DTV facilities for both stations and that it would file a supplement to modify their proposed allotments once a final site had been selected. At the meeting, Tribune reported



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that it had recently finalized negotiations to relocate the digital operations of WGNO and WNOL to a tower owned by WDSU, Hearst-Argyle's New Orleans station. The parties discussed a Tribune proposal to build-out a high-powered DTV operation for WGNO from the WDSU tower before the analog sunset deadline in 2009. A map (filed herewith) depicting the authorized and proposed coverages for WGNO-DT was also discussed.

One copy of this letter and the accompanying map is being filed electronically in the above-referenced dockets. Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas P. Van Wazer

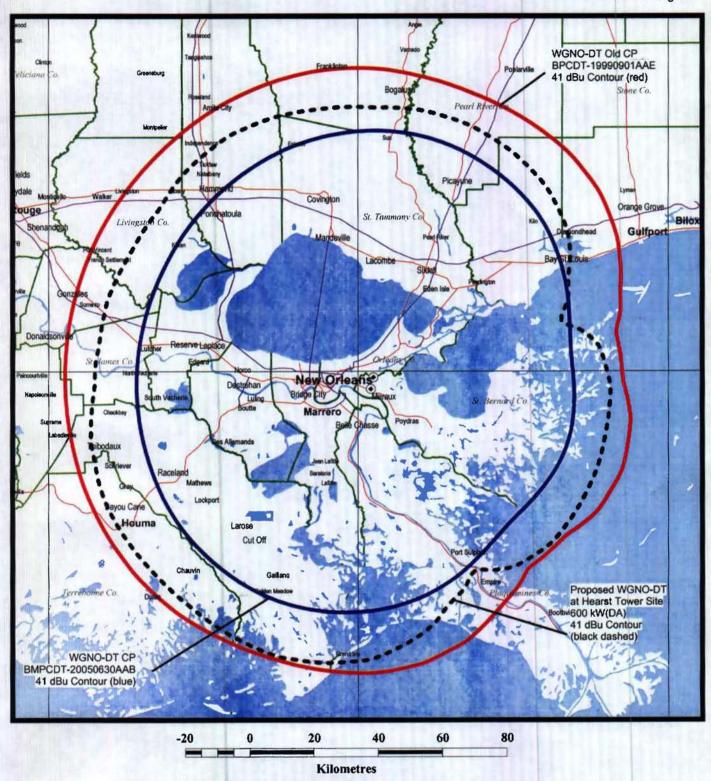
Attachments



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